Remarks

Entry of the present amendment and reconsideration of the aboveidentified application in view of the present amendment is respectfully requested.

The Applicant would like to thank the Examiner for the courtesy extended by the Examiner during the recent telephone discussions. Also, the Applicant would like to thank the Examiner for reviewing some amendment proposals presented in an effort to move the application forward. The present Amendment formally introduces one of the proposals.

Turning to the Matsuura document (US Pub. No. 2004/0237317), the following is noted:

The locking pin 20 is received into one of the recesses 19 when the Matsuura device is an engaged state to prevent any pivot movement of the cutting tool 5. However, all pivot movement of the cutting tool 5 is limited. In other words, for each of the plurality of recesses 19, the relative pivot position of the cutting tool 5 is fixed. There is no adjustment movement of the tool 5 within the working range. If adjustment movement is desired, the locking pin 20 is disengaged from the recess 19. As such, Matsuura does not satisfy the limitations about being in an engaged state but still allowing the cutting unit to move within the working range.

In light of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in a condition for allowance and notice to that effect is hereby requested. If it is determined that the application is not in a condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to initiate a telephone interview with the undersigned attorney to expedite prosecution of the present application.

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If there are any fees resulting from this communication, please charge same to our Deposit Account No. 16-0820, our Order No. ABE1-41355.

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